



SHIRE OF KONDININ WORKS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING WORKS COMMITTEE

held at 3:00pm on Tuesday 30th August, 2022 at
Kondinin Council Chambers

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30 August 2022

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Order of Business

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Chairperson, Cr Murray James, welcomed those present and declared the meeting open at 3:06pm.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Councillors:	Cr T Mulcahy	Cr M James (Chairperson)
	Cr B Smith	Cr P Green
	Cr K Mouritz	Cr K Green

Staff:	David Burton (CEO)	Leandré Genis (ESO)
	Mark Burgess (MOW)	

Apologies:

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Tom Mulcahy

Seconded: Cr Brett Smith

That the minutes of the Works Committee Meeting held on the 25th July 2022 be confirmed.

Carried: 4/0

4. REPORTS OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

4.1 FUTURE ROAD WORKS PROGRAMS

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Chief Executive Officer – David Burton
Manager of Works – Mark Burgess
Disclosure of Interest: Financial – Vehicles for CEO and MOW part of Salary package (as staff are not voting, they are not required to leave the meeting)
Date: 23 August 2022
Attachment(s): The Road worksheets will be provided at the meeting.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Brett Smith

Seconded: Cr Paul Green

That the future works program update be noted for consideration in the Long Term Planning for the Shire.

Carried: 4/0

SUMMARY

To provide information on the projected road works programs for various funding for the Shire.

BACKGROUND

The attached 10-Year Road Works Program shows the works listed since the original program was drafted to consider the 2017/2018 financial year. This is to show Members how the program has been followed to consider works each year as part of the Budget Considerations.

The current 10-year program goes through until 2026/2027 and will need updating to bring it in line with the current planning for a 10-year program leading into the future and for considerations in the Long Term Financial Plans for the Shire.

It should be noted that Regional Road Group (RRG) funded projects must comply with the standards as required, this is usually based on movements on the roads and the formula for prioritising roads. This can limit the use of the funding.

Roads To Recovery (R2R) funding is a Federal Government Project that has been operating for many years. This does require the Shire to ensure that maintenance of roads is kept at a certain level for the funding to be approved. It does not limit the road that it can be used on, as long as it has not used R2R funding previously. This does allow the funding to be used on various roads. The current program is to expire on the 30th of June 2024. It is not known if the program will be expanded beyond this date but has been renewed on several occasions.

REPORTING OFFICER'S COMMENT

The current 10-year program will be updated further to represent the next 10 years of road works for consideration. This will feed into the Long Term Financial Plans for the Shire and assist in the long-term planning of works and asset preservation.

It should be noted that at times, funding opportunities do come along which can add to this program or allow work to be completed earlier. This can be seen with the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI) funding and also the recent major increase in funding with the Remote Roads Upgrades Pilot Project. By having a planned long-term program, changes can be easily made when surplus funds are available or project restricted when funds or resources are limited, but ensure that the jobs are not simply forgotten about.

Road works is broken into several different programs including Regional Road Group (RRG), Roads to Recover (RTR) and General Funds.

RRG – Funded on a 2/3 grant 1/3 Shire basis and does require an MCA score for the works

RTR – Can be used on any road providing it has not been funded previously. This funding also requires the Shire to maintain its level of normal expenditure on the roads or funding may be reduced.

General Funds – Can be used at the Shire's discretion.

The Shire has also received funding through a pilot project for the Hyden Norseman road to have a section sealed. This work will be completed over a 3-year period with RTR funds used to cover some of the Shire's contribution to the project.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

Adopted works program – budgetary constraints and potential cost increase implications.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed program is reliant on funding being made available and any reduction in grants would impact on the proposed programs and the final actual program(s) scheduled.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

2 Economy

2.2 Safe and efficient transport network enables economic growth

4 Civic Leadership

4.1 Skilled, capable and transparent team

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

Mrs Leandr  Genis left the meeting at 4:20pm and returned at 4:24pm.

4.2 PLANT REPLACEMENT 10 YEAR PROGRAM

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Chief Executive Officer – David Burton
Manager of Works – Mark Burgess
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Date: 23 August 2022
Attachment(s): Plant Replacement 10 year program.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Tom Mulcahy

Seconded: Cr Brett Smith

That the Plant Replacement Program be noted.

Carried: 4/0

SUMMARY

To provide information on the Plant Replacement Program for 2022/2023 and beyond.

BACKGROUND

The Plant Replacing Program is taken over a 10-year period to fit in with the Long Term Financial Plans for the Shire and to ensure that machines are replaced at regular intervals so that the Shire always has machines capable of performing the tasks as required.

REPORTING OFFICER'S COMMENT

The 10 year program does ensure that staff and members are aware of when larger machines will need to be replaced as this can create a large impost on the Council and the financial sustainability of the Shire.

Machines are replaced at regular intervals when it is considered the 'optimal' time to replace them, or when the Council has received the best value and to keep the vehicles longer, which may increase maintenance and running costs beyond the cost of replacing the machines.

The program also allows for the consideration of items to try and remove any major expenditure in a single year and try to balance the plant replacement over the 10-year program. While this is not always possible, every effort is made to reduce the impact. The program also allows for changes to be considered and the financial impacts. The use of Plant Reserve can be made available to assist in reducing the impacts of years of larger plant purchases and replenished in years of smaller plant purchases. This can reduce the impact on the budget to maintain a steady funding allocation.

For some plant items, the replacement date is only a consideration and at the time, a decision may be made to extend the life of the assets. This is common with some trailers.

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

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5. CLOSURE OF MEETING

Being no further business the meeting was closed at 4:56pm.